

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

1. (Currently Amended) An implantable cross-pin for use in an ACL repair procedure, comprising:

an elongated member having a proximal end, a distal end, a longitudinal axis, and an outer surface;

a nose member extending out from the distal end of said elongated member having a proximal end and a distal end;

an axial trough in the elongated member extending though the outer surface, said trough having a proximal end, a distal end, a bottom, opposed ends, an open top, and a passageway;

a guide wire opening in the distal end of the nose member; ~~and~~;

an interior tunnel having a passage with an enclosed circular perimeter in the nose member extending ~~axially~~ from the guide wire opening and extending into the trough such that the passage is in communication with the guide wire opening and the trough; and

a guide wire seated in the axial trough and extending through the interior tunnel and the guide wire opening;

wherein the cross-pin comprises a biocompatible material.

2. (Canceled).

3. (Currently Amended) The cross-pin of claim 2 ~~2~~ 1, wherein the material is bioabsorbable.

4. (Canceled).

5. (Original) The cross-pin of claim 3, wherein the bioabsorbable material is selected from the group consisting of PLA, PGA, and copolymers thereof.

6. (Canceled).

7. (Original) The cross-pin of claim 1, wherein the proximal end of the cross-pin comprises an opening in communication with the proximal end of the trough.

8. (Original) The cross-pin of claim 1, wherein the guide wire opening is concentric with the longitudinal axis.

9. (Original) The cross-pin of claim 1, wherein the nose member has a bullet shape.

10-16. (Canceled).